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SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY PLO LEADER KHALID AL-HASAN

ITALIAN EMBOFF REPORTED TO US MAY 5 CONVERSATION HE HAD HAD PREVIOUS NIGHT IN DAMASCUS WITH PLO OFFICIAL KHALID AL-HASAN. HASAN SAID PLO AGREED THAT CAIRO ACCORDS SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN LEBANON AND PLO TRYING TO WORK OUT UNDERSTANDING ON TWO REMAINING UNRESOLVED ISSUES: NUMBER OF PLO FIGHTERS ALLOWED TO POSSESS IN SOUTH LEBANON. HASAN CONDEMNED PALESTINIAN REJECTIONISTS. ON SUBJECT OF GENEVA CONFERENCE, HE WOULD NOT SPECULATE ON HOW PLO WOULD RESPOND TO THEORETICAL INVITATION PROFERRED TO ATTEND GENEVA MEPC BECAUSE "IT IS CLEAR WE ARE NOT GOING TO RECEIVE AN INVITATION TO ATTEND GENEVA CONFERENCE." HASAN TOLD ITALIANS THAT UNLESS PROGRESS TOWARD SETTLEMENT ACHIEVED WITHIN REASONABLE TIME, "ALL MODERATE ARAB GOVERNMENTS WOULD FALL." HASAN CLAIMED THAT SAUDIS WITHHOLDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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SYRIA AS RESULT OF SYRO-PALESTINIAN CONFRONTATION IN LEBANON, BUT ASSERTED SAUDI MONEY WOULD SOON BEGIN FLOWING ONCE AGAIN TO DAMASCUS. SOURCE SAID REST OF CONVERSATION CONCERNED BILATERAL ITALIAN-PLO AFFAIRS, SUCH AS DISCUSSION ABOUT POSSIBLE DIALOGUE BETWEEN PLO AND CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY.
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